

# Purebred Angus takes Ephrata Fair steer show

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EPHRATA - A purebred Angus steer owned by Linda Martin, Narvon R1, went to the top of its class and onto the championship of the 4-H and FFA steer show held Thursday at the Ephrata Fair. Judge Henry Gruber, head of livestock procurement for Arbogast & Bastian, Allentown, chose Miss Martin's 1115 pound mediumweight steer over the heavyweight champion, a Simmental-Angus cross shown by Jeff Martin, New Holland R3.

Miss Martin, 15, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin, is a seven year member of 4-H, showing her first champion

this year after a reserve berth at Ephrata in 1970 when she first started in clubwork.

She purchased her animal "Harvey" from Sam Wylie, Octorara Farm, Nottingham R2, at a club calf sale held in the end of November last year. The steer, which Gruber termed "modern—the right frame of calf... not too tall... correct in lines with the kind of finish we're looking for," is being groomed for Farm Show where Linda has shown four out of six years.

Martin, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Martin, New Holland R3, is in his last year of 4-H. "Henry", his Simmental-Angus, was purchased from Fred Frey,

Quarryville R2, and is out of New York State. Although Martin has taken the reserve spot at the Ephrata Fair, now, for three years, this same cross took him to the grand championship berth at the New Holland Fair last year. He also had reserve grand champion at the 4-H district roundup in 1976. A 1976 graduate of Garden Spot High School, Martin is in farming with his father and is an auctioneer.

The champion of the lightweight class on Thursday evening went to Judy Zimmerman, Ephrata R1, with a Chianina-Angus cross. The reserve in that weight division went to Tony

Everly, Denver R2, with a homebred Hereford.

Reserve mediumweight honors went to Betty Reiff, Lititz R1, with a Hereford-Simmental cross; and reserve heavyweight went to Linda High, 2490 Creek Hill Road, Lancaster.

Results of the show follow:

## Light Lightweight

1. Judy Zimmerman, Ephrata R1; 2. Tony Everly, Denver R2; 3. Gary Eberly, Denver R2; and 4. Ron Martin, Narvon R1.

## Heavy Lightweight

1. Andy Gehman, Stevens R1; 2. Andy Dietrich, Lititz R1; 3. Larry Frey, Marietta R1; 4. Tim Gockley, Reinholds R1.

## Light Mediumweight

1. Linda Martin, Narvon R1; 2. Betty Reiff, Lititz R1; 3. Robert Swarr, Mount Joy R3; Judy Zimmerman, Ephrata R1.

## Heavy Mediumweight

1. Rodney Frey, Marietta R1; 2. Anne Martin, Narvon R1; 3. Ron Zimmerman, Ephrata R1; 4. Marcy Gehman, Stevens.

## Light Heavyweight

1. Linda High, 2490 Creek Hill Road, Lancaster; 2. Kerry Boyd, Ephrata R1; 3. Jay Reiff, Lititz R1.

## Heavy Heavyweight

1. Jeff Martin, New Holland R3; 2. Kerry Boyd,

Ephrata R1; 3. Emily Weaver, Ephrata R1; 4. Ron Zimmerman, Ephrata R1.

## Junior Fitting

Linda Martin

## Senior Fitting

Betty Reiff

Showmanship (12, 13, and 14)

1. Ron Martin, 2. Rodney Frey, 3. Marcy Gehman.

Showmanship (Ages 9, 10, and 11)

1. Jay Reiff, 2. Emily Weaver

Showmanship (Ages 15 and over)

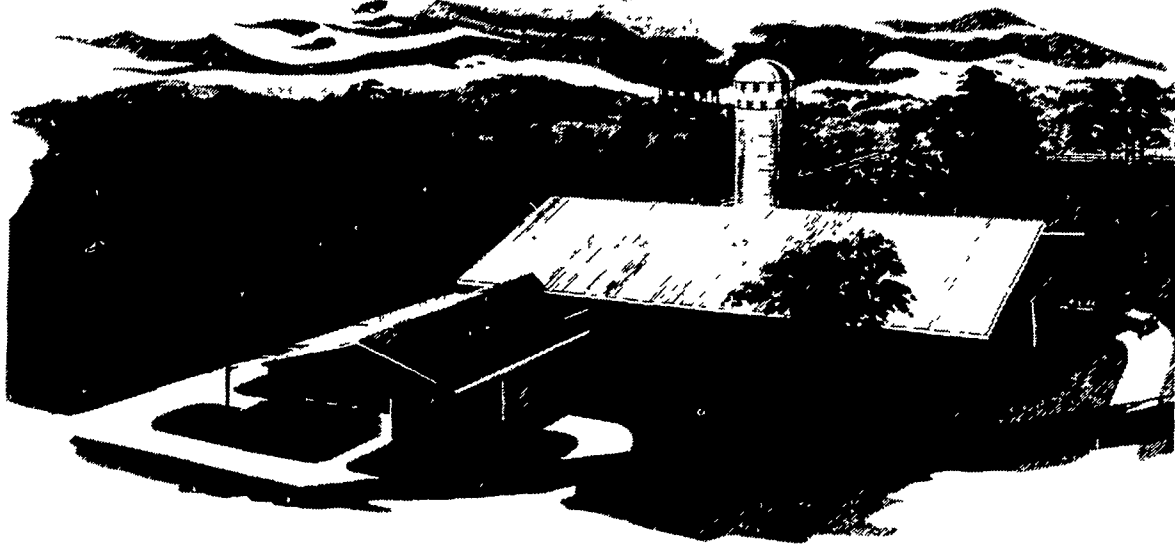
1. Gary Eberly; 2. Tony Everly, 3. Ron Zimmerman, 4. Kerry Boyd, 5. Jeff Martin.



Linda Martin, Narvon R1, showed a purebred Angus mediumweight to the grand championship of the Ephrata Fair steer show on Thursday.

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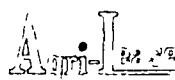
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